

We need a change in our laws of media consolidation. Journalistic integrity is being replaced by "reporting" and "stories" reminiscent of soviet propaganda. Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Our airwaves are becoming more and more a vehicle for the hidden agenda's of big media, and not providing the information, communication and entertainment for which they were created. A lot was lost in the Communications Act of 96. Now no one seems responsible. Companies like Sinclair Broadcasting are testing this to the limit-- please bring responsibility and democracy back to the airwaves. What happened to serving the public good?

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

Thank you for your time,